

§ 5913. Evaluation by National Institute of Standards and Technology of energy-related inventions prior to awarding of grants by Secretary; promulgation of regulations

The National Institute of Standards and Technology shall give particular attention to the evaluation of all promising energy-related inventions, particularly those submitted by individual inventors and small companies for the purpose of obtaining direct grants from the Secretary. The National Institute of Standards and Technology is authorized to promulgate regulations in the furtherance of this section.

(Pub. L. 93-577, §14, Dec. 31, 1974, 88 Stat. 1894; Pub. L. 95-91, title III, §301(a), title VII, §§703, 707, Aug. 4, 1977, 91 Stat. 577, 606, 607; Pub. L. 100-418, title V, §5115(c), Aug. 23, 1988, 102 Stat. 1433.)

AMENDMENTS

1988—Pub. L. 100-418 substituted “National Institute of Standards and Technology” for “National Bureau of Standards” in two places.

TRANSFER OF FUNCTIONS

“Secretary”, meaning Secretary of Energy, substituted in text for “Administrator”, meaning Administrator of Energy Research and Development Administration, pursuant to sections 301(a), 703, and 707 of Pub. L. 95-91, which are classified to sections 7151(a), 7293, and 7297 of this title and which terminated Energy Research and Development Administration and transferred its functions and functions of Administrator thereof (with certain exceptions) to Secretary of Energy.

SECTION REFERRED TO IN OTHER SECTIONS

This section is referred to in title 15 section 278m.

§ 5914. Omitted

CODIFICATION

Section, Pub. L. 93-577, §15, Dec. 31, 1974, 88 Stat. 1894; Pub. L. 95-91, title III, §301(a), title VII, §§703, 707, Aug. 4, 1977, 91 Stat. 577, 606, 607; Pub. L. 95-238, title II, §206(b), Feb. 25, 1978, 92 Stat. 61, which required the Secretary to submit annually to Congress a report detailing the activities carried out pursuant to this chapter during the preceding fiscal year, a detailed description of the comprehensive plan for nuclear and non-nuclear energy research, development, and demonstration then in effect under section 5905(a) of this title, a detailed description of the comprehensive nonnuclear research, development, and demonstration program then in effect under section 5905(b) of this title, and a detailed description of the environmental and safety research, development, and demonstration activities carried out and in progress and which provided that those reports would satisfy the reporting requirements of section 5877(a) of this title insofar as is concerned activities, goals, priorities, and plans of the Secretary pertaining to nonnuclear energy, terminated, effective May 15, 2000, pursuant to section 3003 of Pub. L. 104-66, as amended, set out as a note under section 1113 of Title 31, Money and Finance. See, also, the 20th item on page 86 of House Document No. 103-7.

§ 5915. Authorization of appropriations

(a) There may be appropriated to the Secretary to carry out the purposes of this chapter such sums as may be authorized in annual authorization Acts.

(b) Of the amounts appropriated pursuant to subsection (a) of this section—

(1) \$500,000 annually shall be made available by fund transfer to the Council on Environmental Quality for the purposes authorized by section 5910¹ of this title; and

(2) not to exceed \$1,000,000 annually shall be made available by fund transfer to the Water Resources Council for the purposes authorized by section 5912 of this title.

(c) There also may be appropriated to the Secretary by separate Acts such amounts as are required for demonstration projects for which the total Federal contribution to construction costs exceeds \$50,000,000.

(Pub. L. 93-577, §16, Dec. 31, 1974, 88 Stat. 1894; Pub. L. 95-91, title III, §301(a), title VII, §§703, 707, Aug. 4, 1977, 91 Stat. 577, 606, 607.)

REFERENCES IN TEXT

Section 5910 of this title, referred to in subsec. (b)(1), was repealed by Pub. L. 104-66, title II, §2021(i), Dec. 21, 1995, 109 Stat. 727.

TRANSFER OF FUNCTIONS

“Secretary”, meaning Secretary of Energy, substituted for “Administrator”, meaning Administrator of Energy Research and Development Administration, in subsecs. (a) and (c) pursuant to sections 301(a), 703, and 707 of Pub. L. 95-91, which are classified to sections 7151(a), 7293, and 7297 of this title and which terminated Energy Research and Development Administration and transferred its functions and functions of Administrator thereof (with certain exceptions) to Secretary of Energy.

Functions of Council on Environmental Quality and Office of Environmental Quality relating to evaluation provided for by section 5910 of this title transferred to Administrator of Environmental Protection Agency by Reorg. Plan No. 1 of 1977, §5E, 42 F.R. 56101, 91 Stat. 1634, set out in the Appendix to Title 5, Government Organization and Employees, effective on or before Apr. 1, 1978, at such time as specified by President. Section 6 of Reorg. Plan No. 1 of 1977 authorized Director of Office of Management and Budget to transfer to appropriate agency or department unexpended balances of appropriations, allocations and other funds used, held, or available in connection with functions transferred. Ex. Ord. No. 12040, Feb. 24, 1978, 43 F.R. 8097, set out under section 5910 of this title, provided that transfer of functions of Council on Environmental Quality and Office of Environmental Quality to Administrator of Environmental Protection Agency is effective Feb. 26, 1978.

ALTERNATIVE FUELS PRODUCTION; ENERGY SECURITY RESERVE FUND

Pub. L. 96-126, title II, §201, Nov. 27, 1979, 93 Stat. 970, as amended by Pub. L. 99-190, §101(d) [title II, §201], Dec. 19, 1985, 99 Stat. 1224, 1255, provided that:

“In order to expedite the domestic development and production of alternative fuels and to reduce dependence on foreign supplies of energy resources by establishing such domestic production at maximum levels at the earliest time practicable, there is hereby established in the Treasury of the United States a special fund to be designated the ‘Energy Security Reserve’, to which is appropriated \$19,000,000,000, to remain available until expended: *Provided*, That these funds shall be available for obligation only to stimulate domestic commercial production of alternative fuels and only to the extent provided in advance in appropriations Acts: *Provided further*, That of these funds \$1,500,000,000 shall be available immediately to the Secretary of Energy to carry out the provisions of the Federal Nonnuclear Energy Research and Development Act of 1974, as amend-

¹ See References in Text note below.